

Mass Intentions Sunday 11th April

Zoom Mass 10am

**(to join 087 418 9338) or
sally.phalan@gmail.com**

St. Mary's—on webcam 12 noon

Neil Deasy (Rec Dec'd)

Joan Byrne (15th A) and all deceased
members of the Howard family.

Paddy Hannon (15th A)

Mary Maguire (14th A)

Nuala Lane (3rd A)



Novena to the Miraculous Medal is held
after 10.15am Mass each Monday morning,
The Rosary is recited at 09.45am each
morning in St Mary's and is available to
view on the webcam
www.enniskerryparish.ie

Our Churches are open for private prayer and private devotion. There is nothing to stop you calling into the church when you wish (see below for opening times) and offer a prayer. Do that during Holy Week - a five minute visit. We don't need to say many words when we go to visit the Lord, just sit in his presence.

Church Opening Hours

St. Mary's Parish Church is open 11am—3pm Mon-Sat and 1pm—3pm Sunday.

St. Mochonog's Church is open 11am—3pm Monday-Sunday.

St. Patrick's Curtlestown, is open 10am-12 noon each Sunday.
(only one person or one bubble allowed in for 10 minutes per time)

SUPPORT SERVICES

AWARE - SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you, or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, please consider using the Phone In and Zoom Support & Self Care Groups, the Support Line or Support Mail, now and throughout the holiday season. These services provide support, coping skills and information – and most importantly help people who are in distress to know and feel that they are not alone in their experience. For more information about the groups <https://www.aware.ie/support/support-groups/> and all of our services on www.aware.ie

ECUMENICAL BIBLE WEEK 2021

Ecumenical Bible Week 2021 is an exciting and successful venture which is now in its eight year and will run from **Pentecost Sunday (23rd May) to Trinity Sunday (30th May) 2021**. Ecumenical Bible Week (EBW) is led by the Archdiocese of Dublin and the United Dioceses of Dublin and Glendalough in collaboration with many other Christian traditions ranging from the Evangelical Alliance to Lutherans, Methodists, Presbyterians and support from the National Bible Society and Scripture Union. The overall theme this year is "Unlocking Faith Today: Responding to New Realities". This year EBW will have an opening and closing prayer event organised by Holy Trinity Rathmines on Monday 24th and St Finian's Lutheran Church on Sunday 30th respectively.

To Register visit – www.bibleweek.ie

YOUTH INITIATIVES

(FROM THE OFFICE FOR EVANGELISATION AND ECUMENISM)

KNOCK YOUTH PILGRIMAGE

Saturday, 24th April, 12noon -2pm, via Zoom. This will be a great interactive session for teenagers from across our Diocese to experience pilgrimage together through workshops, small group discussions, fun and prayer. To register for this youth group you will need to complete the online parental consent form with your parents by clicking here: <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=OmwpOQKL0Ua2DW8iFevKayJb-gK7h5tOjDzUJL5UJ0xUNURQSkdYVkrRQUktIVFIWNzk5R0NTS0U5RS4u>

TEEN HOPE CONNECTED

Teen Hope Connected is a weekly Youth Group. It takes place every **Wednesday 6-7pm** via Zoom. Join us for fun, exploring faith and life with other Teens through small group discussions, top class games and prayer. If you are interested in joining, please email:

kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie

YCD CONNECTED – BRINGING YOUNG PEOPLE TOGETHER

The Young Church Dublin invite you to join our connected group for Young Adults (20's 30's) We meet online **every Wednesday, from 8.00-9.00pm** for some time of fellow, reflection on Scripture and prayer together. It provides an opportunity to connect in with other young adults in a community of faith. For more information please email: kirsten.mahon@dublindiocese.ie

Amoris Laetitia Family Year

On Friday 19 March 2021, the Feast of Saint Joseph, the Church celebrated five years since the publication of Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love) on the beauty and joy of love in the family. On the same day, Pope Francis launched the Amoris Laetitia Family Year, which will conclude on 26 June 2022, on the occasion of the Tenth World Meeting of Families in Rome.

Speaking about the Amoris Laetitia Family Year, Pope Francis referred to it as a special year to grow in family love and an opportunity for a renewed and creative pastoral drive to place the family at the centre of both Church and society. Pope Francis also shared his hope that every family may feel in its own home the living presence of the Holy Family of Nazareth, that it may fill our small domestic communities with sincere and generous love, a source of joy even in trials and difficulties”.

Contributions

We thank all parishioners who continue to contribute and help keep parish finance healthy. Your generosity is very much appreciated. You can contribute to the parish in the following ways:-

- Online by using the “**Donate**” feature on the parish website - www.enniskerryparish.ie
- Online by scanning the **QR code** on the parish newsletter. It's so simple just use your Smart phone! See note below*
- Dropping envelopes into parish during office hours
- Standing Orders

For newer phones all you have to do is hold your phone camera over the code and the Payzone page will automatically open. Then simply “Tap”, enter the amount you want to donate and press “Proceed”, add your card details and press “Pay Now”. For older smart phones just download a free QR scanner from the App Store.

QR CODE



IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PARISH

Parish Pastoral Council Meeting March 2021

At the March Meeting the items covered included:

Communications Group Update:

Maura, Gavin, Ottalie, Mairead and Adrian had met, prepared and circulated their report on 13th March, with suggestions for the development of the Parish Social Media presence.

The Parish Facebook will be relaunched with public access. Ottalie undertook to do this and a dedicated email address for social media will be set up. Instagram, Twitter and possibly Tic Toc could follow, while recognizing the age variety of audiences, with the linking all platforms using an RSS (Really Simple Syndication) program.

Training, control structure and a small team of three volunteers representing each of the parish communities will be needed. Securing a resource, from either a professional firm or a student in the field, to setup, train and implement the system will be explored further. A Communications Officer/PRO, even on a parttime basis, was proposed to help with these developments and this could also help fundraising. The further development of the parish GDPR appropriate contact database with parishioner contact details is needed- particularly from Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation records. Installation of a distinct "Donation" button on the Website similar to other parishes was agreed.

Parish Churches' Future Viability: Archbishop Farrell has asked parishes to discuss the viability of each parish and parish churches under the headings-finance, attendance and priest availability. The Parish committees representing the local faith communities will take an initial look at this in the coming weeks. The request comes against the backdrop of three quarters of priests being currently 75 years or older, making a sudden drop in availability of priests imminent. The setting up of a Liturgy Working Group with representatives from each area to facilitate the development of Liturgy and Sacramental preparation outside the schools will be needed.

Currently the great majority of participating parishioners are over 50 and for parish viability this has to change. It is recognized that how the parish functions post pandemic will be different than before. Eco Parish Development: Tina Roche, who is leading the Enniskerry Sustainable Energy Project, will give a Parish Talk on the plans for reducing energy use locally. Ottalie, who has registered with the National Biodiversity Programme, which focuses on the conservation of biological diversity, will explore the possibilities with the schools.